A True and Compendious NARRATION;

OR

(*Second Part of* AMBOYNA)

OF

Sundry Notorious or Remarkable Injuries, Insolencies, and Acts of Hostility which the

HOLLANDERS

Have Exercised from time to time against THE ENGLISH NATION in the *East-Indies*, &c.

And Particularly,

Of the totall Plundering and Sinking of the

Dragon & Katherine

Both Ships and Men.

With Undeniable and Convincing Proofs for Evidencing the Truth thereof, and Satisfaction of the Reader.

By a Person of long Observation and Experience; Employed First and Last in the Affairs of the Indies, *Fifty Years, (to wit) from* Sr. Walter Rawleigh, *his last Voyage,* 1615. *To this Present Year,* 1665. By *J. D.*

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TO ALL
Loyal and True-Hearted Subjects
TO THEIR
KING and COUNTRY.

Much Honoured Readers,

HERE I Preſent to your View and Serious Conſideration, a ſtrange and Unpolliſhed (but True) Diſcourſe, conſiſting of ſeveral Particulars of great Conſequence and Concernment; And although ſtrange and ſomwhat Obſtruce, yet very neceſſary (as I humbly conceive) at this preſent time truly and undoubtedly to be rightly underſtood, in regard the Subjects of this, and queſtionleſs of all other Nations in *Europe* and elſe where, that hears ſo many falſe and frivilous Reports of the *Dutch*; Accompanied with ſuch Inſolent, Ridiculous, and Uncivil Expreſſions and Interludes; Boaſtings, Threatnings and Aſperſions of the *Hollanders*, concerning this their (long-practized and intended) Cruel, Inhumane and Ingrateful War with *England*; and little Knowing or Imagining the firſt Riſe and Foundation thereof; which now according to my Weak Judgment (but long Obſervation and Experience) I intend (God willing) really and briefly to declare, and diſcover, ſufficiently

to ſatisfie any Reaſonable or upright Reader, as by this following Tract from time to time, may Gradually be obſerved.

And I humbly conceive that (without preſumption) I may confidently affirm, that whatſoever Prince or Potentate, in or out of *Europe*, that ſhall Hear and Rightly underſtand the real Truth and Ground of this *Holland* VVar, herein ſo plainly and punctually Expreſſed and Remonſtrated, and yet will give any countenance thereto, or compliance therewith; will in concluſion ſee his own Error, when he finds and apprehends himſelf an Enemy to his own Honour and Grandeur, as well as to his Subjects Juſt Freedom and Liberty, in point of Trade and Traffique.

And ſo moſt earneſtly and heartily deſiring and imploring all happineſs and good ſucceſſe to the Land of my Nativity, and to every Individual perſon therein that loves the Truth in Sincerity: I do moſt willingly and freely refer the Contents hereof to the Grave and Judicious Conſideration of the more wiſe and diſcreet Reader; to whoſe better Judgment, I do moſt willingly and readily ſubmit and ſubſcribe,

John Darell.

Poſt-Script. The Adventurers Names, *Ann.* 1635.

Sir William Courteen, *Knight*, *and* William Courteen *his onely ſon*; Endimion Porter, *Cap.* John Weddall, Thomas Kynaſtone, Nathaniel Mountney, *and* Samuel Bonnell, *all Adventurers in the* Do-

THE PREFACE, OR INTRODUCTION.

In the profecution of this uncouth and obſtruſe diſcourſe, and ſcrutinous diſcovery, I muſt of neceſſity plain the way before me by a long and tedious perambulation of forreign and domeſtick paſſages, that by the tract thereof, the diſcreet Reader may more eaſily apprehend how to diſcern and diſtinguiſh by demonſtrative and plain reaſons, the hidden truth acted in the East-Indies, *from all thoſe ſurmiſed and pretended miſts of error and ignorance, wherein it is clouded and Inveloped briefly thus*; viz.

The Tract, or Explanation.

WHen famous Sir *Francis Drake*, *Anno* 1580. had paſſed the Straits of *Magellane*, and arrived at *Ternatte* (one of the *Molluccaes* or *Banda*, or rather *Amboyna Iſlands*, becauſe by that direful name they are beſt known to the Engliſh) and intend- Sir *Francis Drakes* diſcovery, 1580.

intending to return thither again three years after, but other occasions prevented him.

The *Dutch* 1595 the *Engliſh* about the ſame time.

Then the *Dutch*, *Anno* 1595, proſecuting the ſaid diſcovery ſet forth Fleet after Fleet, and the *Engliſh* ſhortly after them and both of them diſcovering and arriving at the aforeſaid Iſlands, and other places in the South Seas, as *China*, *Japan*, &c. but made their Rendevouz upon *Java major*, the Engliſh at *Bantum* (a place formerly poſſeſt and walled about with bricks by the *Portuguez*, but the Natives had expelled them:) the *Dutch* at *Jaccatra*, a ſmall Village of Fiſhermen with a little Fort taken by the *Dutch* from the Natives and afterwards taken by Sir *Thomas Dale* from the *Dutch*, whom the Natives demanded to be their priſoners, but Sir *Thomas* aforeſaid would not deliver a Chriſtian into a Heathens hand, and thereupon gave the *Dutch* again poſſeſſion of the Fort, and bid them fight for their lives, and left them; which now is become a Famous and Metropolitan City called *Batavia*, or new *Holland*; But the two Nations *Engliſh* and *Dutch* did Diametrically differ in their conſtitutions and forms of Government, and of management, the one here, the other there, from whence proceeded different ſucceſſes even to admiration, as at this day appears.

The *Engliſh* rendevouz at *Bantum*, the *Dutch* at *Jaccatra*.

Sir *Thomas Dales* civility to the *Dutch*.

Their conſtitution in Government quite different.

Not long after this there grew quarrels and contentions between them concerning ſome of the ſaid Iſlands of *Amboyna*, aforeſaid, which by the affections of the Natives, and Proprietors thereof to the *Engliſh*, were legally ſurrendred to the ſaid *Engliſh* for the King and Crown of *England*, and confirmed by way of livery, and ſeizin the ſaid Natives, delivering to the ſaid *Engliſh* a Turf or Clod of their ſaid Earth, and ſome of their Fruits thereupon growing, in teſtimony of their ſolemn, and ſerious, voluntary, and free reſignation of the ſaid Natives themſelves, and all their ſaid

War and contention began.

A real reſignation to the Kings Majeſty and Crown of *England* of 4. or 5. of thoſe Iſlands and Inhabitants.

ſaid Lawful and Hereditary Iſlands and poſſeſſions therein into the protection and ſubjection of the King and Crown of *England* aforeſaid. And as I was informed from ſome *Engliſh*, to whom they were ſo ſurrendred and delivered, the ſaid Iſlands were theſe, *viz. Polloroon, Lautore, Seran, Nero, Cobo* or *Cambello*; but the *Dutch* having Fortified themſelves at *Amboyna* aforeſaid and elſewhere, would not endure it, but warred, deſtroyed, and maſſacred both *Engliſh* and *Natives*, as well as *Spaniards* and *Portugals*, which continued there and at *Bantum* many years together, notwithſtanding ſundry overtures of Treaties and Debates here and in *Holland*, *Anno.* 1613. and 1615. but all to no purpoſe becauſe the *Dutch* prevailed ſtill in *India* more and more untill they had taken there moſt of the ſaid Iſlands, and twelve Ships, with about eight hundred men, and diſpoſed of them as they pleaſed; the Fort or Caſtle of *Seran* aforeſaid, being the laſt which was held and defended by the *Engliſh* and Natives one and twenty days, but the *Dutch* came with great force and beat away the Natives from aſſiſting the *Engliſh*, and then they were conſtrained to abandon it and aboord in *May* 1615. which gave the *Dutch* great incouragement, and fair hopes of attaining their propoſed end, to gain the riches, honour, and dominion of the whole vaſt trade of *India* to themſelves, ſtill obſerving the ſame rule, knowing thereby how to expel the *Engliſh* from all places in *India* of profit by degrees at their pleaſure; And ſo in the Prince of *Auraunge* his name, going on then conquering, and to conquer in the South-ſeas, as now they do in the North-ſeas, as *Mallabar, Cothen, Goa, India, Perſia, Arabia, Red-ſea, &c.*

Engliſh Amboyna Iſlands, *Polloroon, Lautore, Seran, Nero, Cobo*, or *Cambello*.

Dutch war begun.

All Treaties nulled.

Bartholomew Churchman, and the *Engliſh* beaten out by the *Dutch*.

The *Dutch* deſign and end.

But the aforeſaid ſad news coming into *England* cauſed a treaty here with the States of *Holland*, *Anno*, 1619. and there upon an agreement made for ſome ſmall ſum of 80. or 100000 *l.* ready mony to loſe 2 or

Another treaty 1619. no better then Treaſon.

For 80. or 100000 *l.* the *English* loſt 30000 *l. per annum.*

300000 *l. per annum*, dreyned ever ſince out of his Majeſties Dominions, for Nutmegs, Cloves and Mace, and now for Cinamon alſo, wherein the *Engliſh Eaſt-India* company did contract as I was informed (without conſent of King or Parliament) as well for the foreſaid *Amboyna* ſlands, ſurrendred and appropriated as aforeſaid; as for the Fruits thereof, Nuts, Cloves, and Mace, &c.

Engl. ſtock of 1600000 *l.* circumvented and deſtroyed by the *Dutch* maſſacres and injuries.

And thereupon a mighty joynt ſtock of 15 or 1600000 *l.* was here ſpeedily procured, wherewith the *Engliſh* at home (eſpecially Grocers) hoped for wonders in concluding ⅓ parts thereof to the *Dutch* and ⅓ part thereof to the *Engliſh*, and to pay there further in ready mony ⅓ part of their charges of fortifying; which the *Dutch* thereupon having power in their own hands, knew very well how to make uſe of ſuch a blind bargain (as it proved afterwards;) for thereupon the *Dutch* went on vigorouſly with their Fortifications for themſelves, making them both many and ſtrong, and raiſed their accompts to ſuch an unreaſonable height (as they did afterwards to the King of *Zeloan* in another caſe) and to be paid forthwith without examination, delay, or abatement (as the ſaid company can beſt declare;) inſomuch as is conceived by ſome, that the ſaid ⅓ part in ready mony, did bear the whole charge, both of Fortifying and Shipping to fetch rack rice, and courſe clouts from *Meſulapatam*, *Siam*, *&c.* making five or ſix for one, at leaſt in the profits thereof to pay the workmen, ſo that in few years thereby, and maintaining a Fleet of defence, and the like; the aforeſaid great ſtock was much ſhattered and conſumed, and (as ſome do verily believe) 800000 *l.* of the 1600000 *l.* never returned into *England* upon a profitable account, which exceedingly advanced the *Dutch* deſigns.

The *Dutch* inſolent and peremptory accompts, and preſent pay.

The *Engliſh* ſubmits, being conquered, ſo now either ſubdue or ſubmit, which God forbid.

And during all the aforeſaid Treaties they ceaſed not

not by hoſtile actions to ſubjugate the *Engliſh* more and more: for *Anno* 16-0. (upon ſome pretence) they made prize of two *Engliſh* ſhips, the Bear and Star (carrying tidings of peace, having freed a *Dutch* ſhip in their way to *India* upon that account) and uſed much ſeverity to the ſaid *Engliſh*, and confiſcated ſhips and goods. General *John Coon* of *Battavia*, ſaying that he would not leave an *Engliſh* man in *India* before he had done as *Vantrump* of late (though contrary to his own judgement) would ſweep the narrow ſeas.

Nothwithſtanding the treaties 1619. in 1620. the *Dutch* ſeized two Engliſh Ships.

General *John Coon* ſaid then he would clear *India* of all Engliſh men.

This done, then they forced the *Engliſh* Factors from *Japan*, and ſo cleared and debarred the *Engliſh* for ever after for having any Trade or Commerce either with *China*, (obſerve that well) abounding with Gold, Musk, Civet, and Pearl (as ſome report) ſilk of all ſorts wrought and raw, Cloth of gold and ſilver, Purſelane or *China* diſhes, *Lignum* Alloes, *China* roots, and many other rich commodities.

In order thereto he debarred them from *China*; obſerve that well.

Alſo from *Japan* abounding with ſilver and Bulloine more then ſufficient to furniſh both *Dutch* and *Engliſh* in their *Eaſt-India* Trade and Traffique, though the *Dutch* (I ſuppoſe) amount to 3000000 *l.* and the *Engliſh* to 150000 *l. per annum*, returning for *Holland*, *communibus aliis* 14 or 1600000 *l.* but this year 1664. (as a *Dutchman* reported to me) in their eleven Ships were valued at 4000000 *l.* or more.

Then drove them from *Japan*.

The *Dutch* return 1664. reported 4000000 *l.* or more.

But the *Dutch* in *India* not yet contented with this limitation of the *Engliſh*, *viz.* not to look into the South-ſeas beyond *Amboyna*, upon pain of confiſcation of Ship and Goods, or utter deſtruction: the foreſaid General *Coon* (as conceived) having contrived the *Amboyna* Maſſacre *Anno* 1621. came for *Holland* to palliate the ſame by friends and bribes, or frivolous, or falſe pretences, and left Senior *Carpenter* General at *Battavia* and General *Spealte* at *Amboyna*, to ſee it put in execution, *Anno* 1622. which was done very exquiſitely and fully

The *Dutch* ſuffer no Ship to ſail beyond *Amboyna*.

Gen. *John Coon* for *Holland*, and then the *Amboyna* Maſſacre put in execution.

fully, and ſo abandoned the *Engliſh* thence to *Macaſſer* a *Celebe* Iſland where they could have but what ſmall quantity of Cloves and Mace, the *Molajans* or *Celebeans* could procure by ſtealth from the ſaid Iſlands of *Amboyna*.

John the *Italian* his imployment.

But that continued not many years neither, but the *Dutch* by degrees did intercept and prevent the ſame; and to that purpoſe was imployed one *John* an *Italian*, and others by the General of *Battavia* with commiſſions for that deſign; and the ſaid *Italian* being become a Burgher at *Battavia* aforeſaid, who upon ſome occaſion (to me unknown) commenced a ſute againſt Preſident *Hawley* and his Council, which they conceived by the aforeſaid Treaty, *Anno* 1619. they were not bound to anſwer; yet notwithſtanding the *Dutch* there proceeded to judgment, and gave the ſaid *Italians* 6000 Rials of Eight Spaniſh, for damages, and the aforeſaid General *Carpenter* ſent the Captain of the Caſtle one *Adrian*, who came with a File of Muſqueteers, Halberts, and two Black ſmiths with Inſtruments, and cauſed the Engliſh ware-houſe to be forced open, and ſo much mony in cheſts to be carried away from thence as ſetisfied the foreſaid Judgement, whereupon Preſident *Hawley* and Council aforeſaid, ſent a proteſt to the *Dutch* General and Council aforeſaid againſt their proceedings by Mr. *Io. Cartwright* an *Engliſh* Factor there; but the *Dutch* General aforeſaid, would not receive it, but commanded him to carry it back again quietly, leſt they ſhould ſerve them as they did the *Engliſh* at *Amboyna*; and it had certainly been done if the *Dutch* had known then what came to paſs ſhortly after; for General *Coon* not long after his arrival at *Battavia* from *Holland*, raiſed the *Iavaes* cuſtoms from 10 to 20. *per cent.* whereupon the *Iavaes* made war upon the *Dutch* which they undoubtedly would have charged upon the *Engliſh*, as Combinators, and Inſtigators thereof. But their

Engliſh Preſident, and council demurres.

The Captain of the Caſtle with Muſqueteers, Halberts, & Blackſmiths, &c.

Mr. *Iohn Cartwright* threatned with another Maſſacre.

Gen. *Coones* arrival, 1628.

The raiſing of cuſtoms cauſed a war.

The Engliſh gone in time, 1627.

their removing to *Bantum*, *Anno* 1627. prevented it, for the *Iavaes* came by land with 20000 men, and by sea with 60 or 70. *Prows*, *Anno* 1628 with about 60 or 70. men a piece; and next year with about 40 or 50000. men by land, and all to little purpose; although at first they assaulted the Castle, and killed six or seven *Dutch* men therein, and knockt at the Generals chamber door, (as reported) but were presently forced to fly into the woods, and thereupon the General sent to us *English* (being but two) to lodge on the other side of the River, lest in the night the watch taking us for *Iavaes* should shoot us, which we did. But I having no mind to sleep, and walking in my chamber in view of the said *English* houses, about ten a clock that night I saw two men, the one seeming to me a *Dutch* Skipper, the other a Moor or Lascar with long poles and reeds, or Cajans fastened thereon, go from house to house setting them a fire, which were quickly consumed to ashes, being built and covered with combustible stuff, and the day following, the *Dutch* searched and carried away what remained unburnt, as Sword blades, &c. and all the Brickwall compassing the said houses were forthwith pulled down and laid flat with the ground; And thereupon the *English* President and Council at *Bantum*, made another protest of damages for 200000 *l.* Rials of Eight Spanish (as true related) but what the issue thereof was, is surely best known to the English *East-India* company, and the two foresaid *English* going afterwards to the *Dutch* General to crave passage for *Bantum* in their ships (amongst other discourse he took occasion to say that the *English* knew of the *Iavaes* coming, but they did well to be gone; he said moreover, that the *English* would not suffer them to go through the narrow seas, but about *Scotland*, but he hoped ere long they would go thorow whither the *English* would or no: And said moreover that our Masters

Gene. *Coone* sent to the *English* to abandon their houses.

The English Houses fired 1628. *Aug.* 26.

Another protest for 200000. Rials of eight Spanish.

Gen. *Iohn Coones* hopes.

Ironice quo ad Engl. Realiter quoad Dutch.

Masters were like their Masters, they would have all the world, but will not afford the meanes to get it.

Gen. *Coone* stiled Captain of 12. Castles, & Commander of all the Seas in the world, 1618.

And the King of *Ternatte* aforesaid, (one of the *Amboyna* Islands) sending some of his Orankaies, or Noblemen *Anno* 1627. upon some message to the *Dutch* general aforesaid, gave him the title of captain of twelve Castles, and Commander of all the seas in the world.

17 Eminent *Iavaes* massacred, imprisoned, and pillaged.

But the said General (like enough) ruminating how to revenge himself both of the *English* and *Iavaes*, *Anno* 1632. (the ship *Dolphin*) one of the *English* companies ships, Mr. *Thomas Proad* commander, having taken into his ship at *Iapara* seventeen eminent *Iavaes* to transport them to the red sea and setting sail from thence towards *Bantum*, when he came thwart *Battavia* rode a *Dutch* ship, boarded him, and entered, killd and took prisoners, the said *Iavaes*, and took all their Jewels, Gold, and Treasure they could find, supposing thereby, so to incense and exasperate the *Iavaes* against the *English* either to fall upon them violently, or expel them from their Factories of *Bantam*, and *Iapara*, and *Iambe* that the *Dutch* might shut them out of the streights of *Sundie* as well as *Molacca*, and that is it they long for, &c.

The *Dutch* project against the *English*.

Observat. I.

Observation I.

To ponder and consider the *Dutch* Tyranny

By pondering and well considering the premisses, the discreet Reader may truly perceive and understand to what a transcendent height of soveraignty, power and opulency the said *Dutch East-India* commor-wealth had attained 36 years ago, where neither *English* nor *French*, *Dane*, *Swead* nor *Iannesses*, as well as *Portugals* and *Spaniards* (but *English* and *Portugals* especially have suffered by them exceedingly and cruelly:) I say not any of the foresaid Nations, nor any others under

The *Dutch East-India* common-wealth.

under Heaven (not there inhabiting) durſt then look or ſail into their foreſaid ſouth ſeas (as they term and challenge them) but all Nations muſt be ſubject to ſeizure, and confiſcation of men, ſhips, and Goods, to that inſolent and arbitrary Government, notwithſtanding any Treaty or Contract made here with the States of *Holland* to the contrary, which are but nets and ſnares to delude the *Engliſh*; for in *India* they neither are nor have been regarded; thereby the *Dutch* as former and later experience doth ſufficiently evince, having always their ſhips ready to ſeize and command for there hath been ſeen and told in *Battavia* rode at one time together, riding at Anchor 130 ſail great and ſmall, from 3 or 400 Tun burthen, to 13 or 1400 Tun burthen; and as they have done in the ſouth ſeas, now they proceed in like ſort in the North ſeas, having lately taken *Cocheen* Town and Caſtle from the *Portugals* upon the coaſt of *Mallabar* and *Connanoze*, and other Ports and places where Eſq; *Courteen* had moſt of his Factories, and ſo commanding from *Mallabar* to *Detanne*, *India*, *Perſia*, *Arabia*, *Redſea*, *Sofſala*, *Moſambique*, *Mombaſſa*, all along to *Cabo de bona Eſperanza*, ten thouſand leagues coaſting, where they have now a brave plantation; notwithſtanding *Anno* 1620. Captain *Andrew Shilling*, Captain *Richard Blithe*, Captain *John Swan*, and Captain *Chriſtopher Brown*, commanders of ſhips, *London*, *Hart Roebuck* and *Eagle*, with Trumpets, Drums, and Engliſh colours; then proclaimed King *James* (of bleſſed memory) King thereof, gathering a great heap of ſtones, and left there for a Monument of remembrance. But now the two aforeſaid *Dutch* companies of *Eaſt* and *Weſt Indies*, are met together, in hopes alſo to command from *North* to *South*, and ſo to croſs all the ſubjects of Emperours, Kings, Princes, and Potentates of the whole Univerſe (ſave only the Narrow Seas of *England*

All Treaties contemned, and uſed as nets and ſnares.

130 ſhips in *Battavia* Rode, by Captain *William Swanley*.

Cocheen Town and Caſtle taken by the *Dutch* from the *Portugals*, 1662.

Eſq; *Courteens* factories.

Cape bon Eſper. K. *James* proclaimed 1620 now under the *Dutch* command of ten thouſand Leagues coaſting.

How the two *Dutch* Companies meet.

land, which is their chief ſtumbling block.

Obſervation II.

Obſerv. 2. The Readers obſervations of Treaties and Treaſons.

From whence the diſcreet Reader may further gather this truth from the Premiſſes; That all or moſt of the *Dutch* Treaties (eſpecially thoſe relating the *Eaſt-Indies* their Darling *Diana*) are either Clandeſtine Treaſons or prepenſed prejudicial Pollicies, to abuſe and circumvent Kingdoms and Nations to reduce them to reaſon (as they term it) which reaſon of theirs will never be ſatisfied untill they have ſubjected the trade and treaſure of all Countrys and Nations upon earth, to their unlimited *Eaſt-India* arbitrary Government, to bring and fetch, rule and rate, all commodities bought or ſold, at their pleaſure and price; and then to put in practice that deſign and project which they were hammering at their Town of *Pollicatte*, upon the coaſt of *Meſulapatum*, *Anno* 1628. harkning but to hear the word from *Battavia* (as there they reported) which was, *viz.* Firſt, to ſack and plunder the rich Town of *Meſulapatam*, and then to deſtroy all their Veſſels and Boats upon that coaſt: And it ſhould have been done had not a brabling pedling Nation (meaning the *Engliſh*) ſtood in their way to receive ſome profit thereby, as well as themſelves; and peradventure they have uſed this pollicy already in their ſouth-ſeas of *Amboyna*, *China*, *Japan*, *&c.* from whence they might ſend for *Holland* ſuch a large return this year 1664, of 4000000*l.* (as ſome report) much more hath and might have been ſaid concerning this Subject: But I muſt remember my promiſe and follow the queſtion propounded more cloſely, and ſuccinctly.

The *Dutch* Arbitrary Government.

A *Dutch* Project.

The *Dutch* Project in 1628.

The *Engliſh* Companies

Now the *Engliſh Eaſt-India* company (as I conceive, but themſelves can beſt diſcover) having advanced

ced 5000000 *l.* or more in ſeveral joynt-ſtocks, and purchaſed no place to ſecure men, ſhips, or goods; and the *Dutch* but one ſacred ſtock (as they term it) of 600000 *l Anno* 1602. And the *Engliſh* Factors and Servants in *India* as aforeſaid being ſo toſſed, tortured, and ejected out of their beſt Factories and Foundations of trade; And his Majeſty highly abuſed and deluded in his juſt right and title to 4 or 5. of the ſaid Iſlands of *Amboyna* as formerly expreſt; Alſo to half of the cuſtoms of *Perſia*, as well as to the Towns and Caſtles of *Ormus* and *Caſhme*, which the *Dutch* hitherto by their power refuſeth to pay, though juſtly due, as by agreement with the *Perſian* may appear, which is of very great conſequence: And by theſe great abuſes aforeſaid and otherways much of the ſaid 1600000 *l.* national ſtock was ſpent and conſumed in and about the Fortifications there, which in reaſon ought to add much to the Intereſt of the *Engliſh* there, and to be expected from the benefit of the Fruits thereof, for the time elapſed, which would amount to an exceeding great ſum: And in Juſtice and Equity ought to be required and ſatisfied by the uſurpers, and wrongful poſſeſſors thereof.

ſupine Errors and Ignorance

The *Dutch* cruel diligence.

His Majeſties Right to Caſtles and Cuſtoms.

Ormus and *Perſian* Caſtles and Cuſtoms.

To require an Account of damages ſuſtained during the time elapſed.

Thus the ſaid company being reduced to ſuch a ſad condition of Commerce loſing in their principal adventurers ſome 30. ſome 40 *per cent.* ſome more. But upon their addreſſes to his late Majeſty (of ever bleſſed memory) a remedy was ſpeedily provided, And a new company of adventurers inſtituted and ordained wherein his ſaid late Majeſty was pleaſed ſo far to expreſs his intereſt therein, and affection thereto, as appears by admitting them to wear his own collours conſtantly, and honouring the ſaid company with a royal Signet engraven with three Crowns and a Lyon Paſſant, whereof Sir *William Courteen* (that famous Merchant) was appointed Governor and Director by his

The *Engliſh* *Eaſt-India* Companies ſad condition.

His late Majeſties excellent wiſdom and redreſs.

His late Majeſties Honour and reſpect.

Sir *William Courteen*'s adventure in particular 80000 *l.*

his Majesty and Council, adventuring therein for his own particular (*inter alium*) 80000*l.* and the said company was constituted and ordained by his said Majesty and Council in the best and most legal way and form that ever yet in *England* was invented (which the *Dutch* quickly apprehended) and with so much wisdom, discretion, reason, moderation, and modification, in the limitation and prescription of all parties and interests without injuring or encroaching one on the other being in strange and remote Countries and places where the *English* had no Factories or Correspondence of Commerce, and with as much prudence and respect as any reasonable man could expect, desire, or require. And the said Sir *William* and adventurers, *Anno* 1635. speedily equipped and set forth to sea 6. ships *viz.* the *Dragon*, Captain *John Weddal* Commander and Admiral, the *Sun*, Captain *Richard Swanley* Commander and Viceadmiral; the *Katharine*, Captain *John Carter* Commander and Rear-admiral; the *Planter*, Captain *Edward Hall* Commander; the *Anne* and *Discovery*: But shortly after their departure from the *Downs*, the said Sir *William* fell sick and died; and the said ships proceeded and arrived in *India* purchasing Ports and places for Commerce, and Customs, and for Fortifications, and rendevouze to secure the same; which the old Company heretofore never did.

The *Dutch* forefight in the loss and danger of their Trade.

6 Ships set forth 1635.

Arriving in *India*, purchased and settled Factories and Fortifications.

And by this expedition, in the very first and second year, the said old Companies losses in their adventures aforesaid, returned with so much profit increasing also their ships from 1, or 2 *per An.* to 3, 4, or 5 *per Ann.* and also affording the said Company many several courtesies, relieving their ships with necessaries, and their men from the miserable *Mallabar* Captivity that ever yet was known (save the matchless Massacre at *Amboyna*;) and yet this Company (as Counsellor *Chute* pleaded for Esquire *Courteen*, at the Bar

Great advantage thereby to the English *East-India* Company.

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of the Lords house, *Anno* 1647. (did very modestly term them) proved afterwards in many respects exceedingly ingrateful and injurious, where I must leave them and hasten my search after the *Dragon*, *Sun*, and *Katherine* aforesaid.

Councelor *Chates* pleadings against the Company for 500001. dammages, now much more.

The Subject, Matter, or Conclusion.

AND finding them pursuing their honest and lawful Imployments, but passing through the Straights of *Mallacca* for *China* (a Town and Castle taken by the *Dutch* from the *Portugals*, and ever till then free for the *English* to pass) the said ships were there presently encountred and commanded by four or five *Dutch* ships to go into *Mallacca* aforesaid; but having no business there they refused, the said *Dutch* then threatned to sink or burn by their sides, but they would force them in; yet the said *Dutch* doubting their own Strength suffered them to pass but with terrible Menaces and Threats, that they would have a better account at their Return: And when the said *English* with much perplexity and trouble from sundry Nations as well as the *Dutch*, had finished their Affairs in *China* aforesaid, they returned back again through the aforesaid Straights of *Mallacca*, and then they were encountred again with a greater power of *Dutch* ships double manned, and by them sternly commanded to go into *Mallacca* and speak with their Governour: Captain *Weddal* and the rest *English*, still denying to obey their command, then the said *Dutch* shewed their Commission, which was either to bring them in by force, or to deliver them, the *Portugals* and their goods who were many and of great value, by estimation worth 200000l. or to sink or burn by their sides, and thereupon their time being limited, & a glass turned for the

Mallacca ever free, till the *Dutch* took it from the *Portugals* but never after.

Sr. *William Courteen* ships there encountered, and threatned.

Sr. *William Courteen* ships again there encountered, & here threatned to sink or burn them, so commanded by Commission.

The glaſs turned to give their anſwer.

English to give their anſwer: Then Captain *Weddal* called a Conſultation, and debated with his Captains and chief Officers what they ſhould do, wherein were different Opinions; for ſome were for Fighting the *Dutch* forthwith, as Captain *Weddal* and his men; Others for delivering up the *Portugals* and their Goods, holding it neither Valour nor Wiſdom to venture their Lives for them, from whom they had received many Injuries and Abuſes, as Captain *Richard Swanley* aforeſaid Vice-Admiral and his men, whereat Captain *Weddal* aforeſaid was exceedingly moved, and thereupon gave Captain *Swanley* ſome reproachful and uncivil language, as Coward, and the like: But Captain *Weddal* falling into a calmer temper, Captain *Swanley* moved him to call for the *Black box*, *November* 8. wherein were inſtructions from the Kings Majeſty concerning the *Portugals*, and there they found to this, or the like effect, *viz*: That if they hapened to receive any prejudice, or damage from the *Portugals*, to take their remedy by what means they could get it. Then Captain *Swanley* aforeſaid, moved Captain *Weddal* aforeſaid further, and ſaid; that if he Captain *Weddal* would really ſeize the *Portugals* as priſoners, and their goods confiſcated to the King of *England* for the injuries and abuſes they had received from the ſaid *Portugals*; Captain *Weddal* ſhould then ſee and finde, that neither himſelf nor his men would prove Cowards, but would freely and willingly ſpend their deareſt blood in that Quarrel, and fight it out to death to the laſt man. To which motion, Captain *Weddal* readily and ſpeedily condiſcended and made ſeizure accordingly. Then Captain *Swanley* in the ſhip *Sun* (being of greateſt force) weighed Anchor, and went and rid a head the Admiral, purpoſely to receive the firſt Aſſault of the *Dutch*; and before the glaſs was out, Captain *Swanley* carried this their Reſolution and Ground of the Quarrel, and Declared

Difference in opinions, amongſt the *English* Commanders, at laſt agreed.

Black box, *No.* 8th. His late Majeſties Order concerning the *Portugals*.

Captain *Weddal*'s ſeizure of the *Portugals* and Goods.

Captain *Richard Swanleys* Declaration and Meſſage to the *Dutch* Commander of their Reſolution.

clared the ſame to the *Dutch* Commander (being one of his old acquaintance at *Amboyna*) at the hearing of which Meſſage and Reſolution, the ſaid *Dutch* Commander was much troubled, fretting and fuming, and tearing his hair; ſaying, he had no Inſtructions in that caſe, but muſt go in again for new, and that he was ſure to loſe his head when he came to *Battavia*, becauſe he did neither burn, nor ſink, nor bring them into *Mallacca*, and ſo going in for new and further Inſtructions, came out no more: And the *Dragon*, *Sun*, and *Katherine*, proceeded and came to *Goa*, and there landed all the ſaid *Portugals* and their Goods, according to agreement made with them at *Maccao* in *China* (but contrary to that pretended ſeizure, and Captain *Swanleys* expectation) and the ſaid Captain *Swanley* in the ſaid Ship *Sun*, came that year home and arrived ſafe in *England*, but the *Dragon* and *Katherine* ſtaid in *India* until the next year to compleat their lading.

The *Dutch* Commander much diſcontented, fearing his head.

Captain *Weddal* at *Goa*, landed the *Portugals* and Goods.

But when the *Dutch* (obſerving the Motion of the *Dragon* and *Katherine*) underſtood plainly, that by the foreſaid pretended ſeizure, they were meerly deluded and diſappointed, both of their prey and purpoſe, doubtleſs they were exceedingly exaſperated and inraged; And it was not their Commanders head that would aſſwage or ſatisfie their Conſtant and Frequent Bloody and Cruel Malice and Revenge (as former and latter experience plainly remonſtrates) but when the aforeſaid *Dutch* Commander came to *Battavia*, the Sceane was altered, and a new device framed to deſtroy them altogether, and not ſuffer any to live to bring back the ſaid tidings of their Deſtruction.

The *Dutch* thereby ſo inraged and exaſperated, ſought how to be revenged.

The Sceane altered, and the Commanders head off; no price to appeaſe their Mallice.

FOr, *in, or about the Year*, 1637. *upon a War or Difference between the King of* Coelon *& the* Portugals *there Inhabiting*; *The* Hollanders *Upperland States of their United* Provinces *of* Battavia, Amboynia, Tewan, *&c. neglecting*

letting no opportunity to advance their foreſaid deſigns of Conqueſt and Trade Complied with, and aſſiſted the foreſaid King againſt the ſaid Portugals (being very antient inhabitants there) and undoubtedl, it was that very ſame Fleet going upon that occaſion to Coelon (before the Dragon and Catherine ſet ſaile for England) that extinguiſhed, and moſt barbarouſly deſtroyed both thoſe two ſhips and Men, according to the ſeveral Relations of Engliſh, Portugals, and Dutch, &c. And that done; Then the ſaid Fleet proceeded upon their deſign at Coelon aforeſaid, where in few years after, they conquered and vanquiſhed the foreſaid Portugals both by Sea and Land, and took and ſurpriz'd all thrir ſhips and goods (with their chief Town or City of Collombo and the reſt) with all their Caſtles, Fortifications and Houſes or Towns, with all the Goods and Treaſure; Ordinance, Amunition and Appurtinances, therein and thereto belonging, and ſo quickly poſſeſt and diſpatcht the Riches and Subjects of two Eminent Kings in Europe out of their way; and the third, the King of the ſaid Iſland and his Subjects eſcaped not altogether free; For (by good report) when the ſaid King deſired to know their demands for their aſſiſtance, and the ſame being produced, the ſaid King was thereat much amazed and ſaid, that he and all his Subjects were not worth the one half or quarter of what the ſaid Hollanders demanded, (notwithſtanding the exceeding great plunder and booty taken from the Engliſh and Portugals aforeſaid? And ſo the ſaid King being altogether unable to ſatisfie their ſaid demands in any reaſonable meaſure (and to be rid of them, as he once well hoped, but they never intended; Therefore the ſaid King was conſtrained and neceſſitated to Submit, and to ſuffer the ſaid Hollanders to enjoy all the Portugals Towns and Caſtles aforeſaid with, &c. ut ſupra; and what other Ports or places upon his ſaid Iſlands they deſired: And further to permitt and ſuffer the foreſaid Hollanders States, to conferr a Kings Ship upon the ſaid John Tyſon, as an extraordinary Reward and Recompence for all his good ſervices, according to the uſual conſtruction of

Holland

Holland *and* Dutch *Reaſon? Suppoſing thereby, to Declare and Proclaim to all Kings, Emperours, and Princes, beyond* Cape bona Eſperanza *and to their Subjects; That as they the* Holland Upperlander States *aforeſaid, had power there to deſtroy and ſet up Kings at their pleaſure; ſo had their Maſters in their* Neatherlands *the like power; or more over all Kings and Emperours in* Europe, *and ſo thereby thinking to free themſelves from that aſperſion, which many Heathens ſeemed long ſince juſtly to lay upon them, (to wit,) That they were ſome Rude, Bruitiſh, Boaroſh, Uncivil, and Barbarous people, and of low eſteem in Europe? Becauſe they had no King. And thus,* Per fas aut nefas *they intend (if poſſible) to build their* Babel *as high as Heaven. But I muſt here,* Ponere Obicem, *and give you a True and Perfect Copy of* Quondam Skipper *Now* Dutch *Preſident, and* Hollands *King* John Tyſon, *one of his Warrants to his Subjects, within the Verge of his Command and Juriſdiction.*

A true tranſlation of one of his Warrants by *Geo. Gawton* Marchant, which came to my hands at *Goa* in *India*, 7. *Nov.* Stilo Veter, 1664.

John Tyſon Preſident for the *Dutch* at *Gallee* in *Coelon.*

THe *Chief of the people of* Gampa, *with the reſt dwellers; Let them come and obey the* Hollands *King, and bring the other* Duragos *or Dwellers of the Neighbouring* Aldees *or Towns; and the Challes or Inhabitants of* Urngampala, *and of* Galleluja *and* Hivitiania, *and all other Challees or Inhabitants, Subjects to the* Corlo *or Governour of* Allicuer, *and*

the Captain of Gampan *withall*; *And in caſe all theſe people cannot come, Let him appear before the King*; *For ſo is the Kings command.*

The ſeaven *Corlos* or Commanders are already at *Ningumbo.*

Concerning the loſs of the *Dragon* and *Katherine.*

Out of the Book of Reſolutions at *Goa*, in the Inſtruction given to *Io. Durſonon* his *Perſia* Voyage written by *John Darett.*

ALſo if you happen to meet with the ſhip Hopewell *(Mr.* Edward Lock *or whoſoever Commander) enquire diligently of ſix* Dutchmen *taken Aboard the ſaid ſhip, at her laſt being at* Cocheen; *who can make certain relation concerning the* Dragon *and* Katherine, *their ſinking between the Iſlands of* Coylon *and* Mauritius *by ſeven* Dutch *Veſſels or Ships, (as we are informed) whereof the Ship called* Amſterdam *was Admiral*; 21. November 1644. *in* Goa.

London, 9th. *of* June, 1641.

FRancis Day *ſaith, That from* Meſulapatam, *he came to* Surratt; *and coming before* Goa, *was forced to ſtrike by the* Hollanders; *and a Boat from the Ship* Amboyna, *came aboard to have a diſcharge, how that they received no injury from the* Hollanders; *which diſcharge, was written twice before it could be to their liking. And amongſt the Boats Crew, there was an* Engliſh *man who told to the Purſer of the* Expedition *(as three or four men come home by the* Criſpine *can witneſs) It is well you ſtruck, for all the guns aboard were primed, and the Lynſtocks ready, waiting for the word to give fire and would have ſunk you, and God knows what*

what is become of Captain Weddal, *which words being ſpoken he was called away by the Commander into the boat. Theſe perſons preſent:*

William Courteen, Fr. Day, Iſaac Saxby, *and* D. G. (*i. e.*) David Goubard.

John Carter came home in the *Criſpine*, and afterwards in the *Bon Eſperanza* tells the ſame words as *Francis Day* aboveſaid.

London 25th. January, 1641.

A Board the Heſter *at* Blackwal, *preſent.* William Courteen, John Ruſhout, *Captain* Robert Moulton, Anthony Robert, *one of the Queens Muſitions* Edward Kinpe, John Bening, Thomas Gent. *and* D. G. (*i. e.*) David Goubard.

Was to'd by William Taylor *Maſters Mate, and confirmed by* Robert Hogg *Maſter of the* Heſter.

THat William Taylor *aforeſaid, going a ſhoare at* Cocheen *with* William Gorley, *the Governour of the Town and Caſtle, demanded, or asked him (among other things) whether the General (meaning Captain* Weddal *was arrived in* England *with his two Ships, to which they anſwered, he was not; And do you know (ſaid the Governour) what is become of thoſe two Ships? They ſaid they knew not; then ſaid he, you muſt know that they were ſunk by the* Hollanders *about* Ceylon; *They asked how he knew this; To which he anſwered, here are paſſed through this Town two ſlaves which were taken by the* Hollanders, *and made an eſcape from them at* Ceylon, *which two ſlaves have reported the ſame for a certain truth to all the Inhabitants of* Cocheen; *The ſaid two ſlaves were then gone for* Goa *or* India, *&c.*

More particulars they neglected to enquire after, becauſe that Mr. Gurley *nor none of our people would believe it to be probable.*

They alſo asked what Hollanders *ſhould have ſunk or taken them. Anſwer was made, The Fleet which lay before* Goa *of twelve ſaile in their way home to* Jaccatra, *whereof was General one of the* Holland *Ships lying before* Goa *was the ſhip* Trevere.

Sir John Hubbard *writes to his Friends in* London, *that he hath advice out of* Holland, *that Captain* Weddall *was ſunk in the* Eaſt-Indies *by the* Hollanders.

John Bening Mr. *of the Planter, heard* Mr. Mountney *ſay, Captain* Weddalls *two ſhips were worth,* 150000[l]. *in* England *beſides his own goods,* 20000[l]. *very neer.*

One Lawrence *a* Dane *who came home from the* Streights *with* Mr. Lucas, *told to the Wife of* James Clarke, *taylor in the* Dragon; *That he was at the ſinking or Taking of the* Dragon *and* Katherine, *by ſeven* Holland Ships.

Robert Hogg *tells of one which was at* Plymouth *a* Hollander, *and was before at the ſinking of Captain* Weddall, *he was with* Mr. Tuchburn.

Captain Swanley *tells of one* James Burdett *which had a Letter from* India, *which makes mention of the very ſame report by a ſlave, which made eſcape from the* Hollanders.

Anno 1644.

AT the return of Thomas Lamberton, William Page, Thomas Newman *and others taken in the* Bon-Eſperanza *going to* China, *and brought priſoners into* Mallacca *with ten wounded men which lay there in the Hoſpital, where they found a* Scotch-*man lying ſick, who upon his dying told the aforeſaid men of the* Bon-Eſperanze, *that he could not dye before he had declared that he was at the taking of the* Dragon *and* Katherine, *which were going from* India *unto the* Cape Bon-Eſperanza *by ſeven* Holland *Ships which coming in fare by Captain* Weddall *they pretended to be bound home, and invited him with Captain* Carter *and both the* Mountneys *aboard; where having feaſted together, ſo was*

Captain

Captain Weddall *and his Friends brought upon the Deck, and told they muſt into the Sea, whereupon more words paſt; and they were bound back to back and thrown into the ſea, thoſe of the* Dragon *and* Katherine *ſeeing the ſame fitted themſelves to fight, but were taken, and their Ships Robbed, and then with (all the men remaining alive) bored and let ſink in the Sea; he told that the ſame Fleet came to* Mallacca *afterwards where much was hid; the reſt of the common men was ſent for the* Moluccoes, *and that well known by many in* Mallacca, *but durſt not ſpeak of it, The ſaid* Lamberton *and others asked the Lievtenant of the Town about the ſame; but he anſwered, that upon their lives they ſhould not ſpeak of ſuch things.*

A Declaration of ſome News ſeeming probable, of the *Dragon* and *Katherine* of Eſquire *Courteens*; Captain *John Weddall*, and Captain *John Carter* Commanders.

From the Mouth of Boat-ſwain Wente; John Thomas, Hinton Quondam, *Chyrurgion of the Ship* Bon-Eſperanza *employed in the ſervice of the Worſhipfull Eſquire* Courteen, Anno 1644. *in the Moneth of* Auguſt, *being by ſiniſter occaſion at* Johanna, *in the Ship* Hopewell *of the old Companies, at which time alſo was the* Criſpine *and* Dolphin *of the old Companies there, as alſo the* Loyalty *Mr.* John Durſon *Commander, belonging to the Eſquire* Courteen, *had this following Relation of the Deſtruction of the*

Dragon *and* Katherine, *by the* Dutch *as follows.*

THe ſaid *Boat ſwain* Wente, *Boat-ſwain of the good ſhip* Dolphin, *Mr.* Thomas Proude *Maſter in the ſaid Ship*, 1643. *upon ſome employment went from* Surratte *to the Southward*, viz. *To* Cocheen *a* Portugal *Town, where (upon what occaſion I know not) having ſome conference with a ſervant of the Governours of* Cocheen *concerning the* Dutch. *The man told him of a fight made off of* Ceylon *between the* Dutch *and* Engliſh, *viz. Two* Engliſh *Ships and ſeven* Dutch *Ships, the* Engliſh *Ships named the* Dragon *and* Katherine, *both which the* Dutch *overcame, ſinking the one and forcing the other a ſhore, ſo eagerly proſecuting them, that ſome of the* Engliſh *having eſcaped drowning and got a ſhore, the* Dutch *in their Boats haſted a ſhore likewiſe and cut them all off. Now no doubt but the* Dutch *have projects enough to conceal this Villanie; but if this Relation be true, Gods wonderful power is evident in the Diſcovery, for this ſervant to the Governour was in the* Dutch *Ships at that time in their ſervice, when they fought and following the* Engliſh *a ſhore (he being one among the* Dutch*) made eſcape to the* Portugals *and in time came to ſerve the Governour of* Cocheen. *This is the Relation that I heard Boat-ſwain* Wente *Relate, and indeed I went aboard purpoſely to inquire of him about that buſineſs: I deſired to have the Relation under the Boat-ſwains hand, but I could not obtain it, by reaſon partly of his unwillingneſs, and partly the ſhortneſſe of our time, for they ſuddenly ſet ſaile from* Joanna, *Alſo the Boat-ſwain ſaid the Governour of* Cocheen *knows of the matter, and upon inquiry (if he pleaſeth can produce you his Servant if living; if not, he himſelf is able to give ſatisfaction.* Was under written, *Thomas Hinton.*

DUarte, de figueiredo de Mello Secretario de ſua Majeſttade do eſtado da India, Certifico que

que aſſiſtindo na Ilha de Ceylon ſoube por algus Priſoneires Olandeſes, que ſe tomarao coms as duas naes do Capt. Guadel que hia da China Para Inglaterra, as tomarao os Olandeſes no Cabo da Boa-Eſperança & as meterao ambas apique; Iſto he ó que me conſtor de ditos dos dites Priſoneires,

Secutarto.

Goa a 22 de *April* de 1647.
Duarte defigueiredo
de *Mello.*

I *Edward* De Figueirdo de Mello Secretario *to his Majeſty of the State of* India, *do Certifie, that being in Commiſſion in the Iſland of* Ceylon; *I came to know by ſome Priſoners of the* Hollanders, *that they met with two Ships of Captain* Weddals, *which were going from* China *for* England, *and that the* Hollanders *took them towards the Cape of* Bon-Eſperanza *and ſunk them both. This is what appears unto me by the Relations of the ſaid Priſoners.*

Goa 22. *April. Anno* 1647.
Was under-written,
Duarte defigueiredo
de Mello.

FOr when the ſaid *Dutch* Commander doubted the cutting off his Head; inſtead thereof they furniſh him (as credibly reported) with ſeven Sail of proper Ships, four greater, three leſſer; the Ship *Amſterdam* about 1400. Tun burthen being Admiral: No doubt but with ſtrict Injunctions utterly to deſtroy the ſaid two Ships, *Dragon* and *Katherine* and ſo preſerve his Head on his Shoulders, which it ſeems by manifold reports and Inſtances he performed very Fully and Effectually lying in wait for them with his ſaid Fleet, hovering too and again about *Ceiloan* the onely *Cinamon* *Iſland*

Seven Sail ſet out to look after the *Dragon* and *Katherine.*

John Tyſon the *Hollands* King at *Caloan*.

Iſland in the world, taken by the *Dutch* from the *Portugals* and Natives; whereof *John Tyſon* a *Dutch* man, (firſt a Scullion, (or ſome ſuch thing) then a Skipper, and at beſt a Commander) was made King as by his Warrants appeared, *Anno*, 1644. *Eter. forab*, 26. or 28. years, *&c.* and knowing well what courſe the ſaid two Ships *Dragon* and *Katherine* would ſteer for *England*, having ſufficient Intelligence and Spies abroad to obſerve their motion, and to bring them word when and at what time they ſet ſaile from *Goa* and the Coaſt of *Mallabar*, whom the ſaid *Dutch* Fleet unhapily diſcovered, and hailing one to the other, who and whether bound according to the manner of the Sea; Captain *Weddall* anſwered of *White-hall* for *England*, as by his Colours appeared? The *Dutch* anſwered of *Battavia*, homward bound for *Holland*, and ſo ſeemed glad of one anothers company, and as commonly reported in *India*, they kept company ſome reaſonable time until they had them at ſea farr enough from any Land. And when the *Dutch* ſaw their opportunity, they invited Captain *Weddall* and Captain *Carter* with their chief Officers, in friendly manner aboard their Admiral, the Ship *Amſterdam* aforeſaid. And when they had eaten and drank ſufficiently, the *Dutch* ſuddenly clapt a guard upon them, and Seized, Pillaged and ſunk the ſaid two Ships *Dragon* and *Katherine*, wearing the King of *Englands* Colours, and bound the *Engliſh* back to back and threw them all over-board (as in *India* and elſe where frequently reported) and this was the final and diſmal concluſion and confuſion of the aforeſaid two Ships, *Dragon* and *Katherine*, valued at 180000*l*. beſides their Commanders, Marchants and others, men of great Quality and Reputation, who doubtleſſe had very great eſtates therein.

The *Dutch* Fleet with the *Dragon* and *Katherine*.

The *Dutch* their friendly invitation of Captain *Weddal &c.* aboard

The *Dutch* ſeizing, Pillaging and Sinking the two Ships, binding all the men back to back, throwing them over-board; and this was the certain end of the *Dragon* & *Katherine*.

Ship *Bon-Eſperanza* afterwards taken.

Afterwards the Ship *Bona-Eſperanza* in the ſame Imployment, and in the ſaid Straights of *Mallacca*, was there

there violently assaulted by the said *Dutch*, killing and wounding the Master and many others, but the *Portugal* Passengers calling for Quarter, the ship was enterd and seized on by the *Dutch*, some of them saying to the Chyrurgion and other *English* in the said ship, *viz.* They did well to yield when they did, else they had gone after the *Dragon* and *Katherine*, and Carrying the *English* Prisoners a shore, towing his Majesties Colours at their Boat stern (as reported.) A *Scotch* man a shore lying very sick, very earnestly desired to speak with some of the *English*; And it was to inform them, that he was in that sad action of the *Dragon* and *Katherine*, and his conscience therefore was exceedingly troubled and afterwards died.

Some of the *Dutch* entering, said they did well to yield when they did, else they had gone after the *Dragon* and *Katherine* aforesaid.

A sick *Scotch* man did declare the Fact to several *English* men.

Then the Great *William*, Captain *Jeremiah Blackman* Commander upon the same Imployment, and in the said *Streights* of *Mallacca* was likewise assaulted and sore threatned by the said *Dutch*, but doubting their own strength, he passed them going to *China*, but they waylaid his return with seven Ships, they supposing and expecting that for fear he would have gone through the *Streights* of *Sundie* at the Souther most end of *Sumatra* & so to catch or tole him to sea without ken of land as they did the *Dragon* & *Katherine*, & pretend themselves a homeward-bound Fleet; and when they had seen their opportunity if not to carry him to *Battavia*, confiscate Ship and goods which had been as great courtesie as he could expect from them, or else to have sent him and his Company to seek the *Dragon* and *Katherine* in the bottom of the sea, for presuming to sail in their South-seas without their leave; but he steering an unexpected course, by, or near the Shore in sight of *Mallacca* happily escaped them.

Captain *Jeremiah Blackman* very narrowly escaped the like by an unexpected course.

And this was the end of the *Dragon* and *Katherine*, without any other cause, then presuming to sail in their South Seas.

Now to conclude and finish this Disquisition concerning the *Dragon* and *Katherine*, and to discover the place into which they are sent, and the parties who sent

them; our next and last work is to produce our Indicines and proofs that it is so really and indeed, wherein it is well hoped that better evidence will be asserted and produced, then in such a case could well be expected or required.

Now they are discovered, next to our proofs, &c. which are farr more and better then in such a case would be expected or imagined.

Some plain and pertinent Indiciaes and Proofs, concerning the destruction of the Dragon *and* Katherine.

I.

THe diligent observation of the constant Series of the *Dutch* in the Insolent actions, and cruel proceedings of their States General in their *East India Upperlands* and United Provinces of *Amboyna* and *Battavia* (*Alias*, New *Holland*) and in their continued Prosecution of *English* and *Portugals*; *Abinitio*, driving them (like Sheep or Jac-cauls by their high & mighty power) out of all profitable places of Trade as aforesaid, in order by degrees to expell them out of *India*, not daring to look beyond *Cape Bon-Esperunza*. As also their contempt and derision of all Treaties and Agreements made with their States of the *Netherlands* concerning any matter or thing beyond the said *Cape*, as may appear not onely by their neglect of all former Treaties, and Waring and Wronging there, while treating here (as I conceive) at this instant with the King of *Bantum*, meerly to drive the *English* out of their Pepper Trade at *Jambee*; but also it appears by their General *J. Coones* expression, *Anno*. 1620. to the Commanders and Company of the *English* Companies; two Ships, *Bear* and *Starr*, saying, that they would not leave an *English* man in *India* before they had done; And *Anno*, 1628. When the said *Coon* was stiled by the King of *Ternatte*

Portugals and *English* compared to sheep or Jac-cauls, driven to and fro by the *Dutch* Lyons and Tigers.

The constant and insolent actions of their *Upperlands* States of *Amboyna* & *Batavia*. And by Affidavit thereof made before *John Page* a Master in Chancery 23. of *Feb.* 1646. *Bartholmew* Church man, &c.

Ternatte Captain of Twelve Castles, and Commander of all the Seas in the World. And afterwards two *English* men craving passage for *Bantum*? He the said *General Coon* replyed, and said, the *English* would not suffer them to go thorow the Narrow Seas, *&c.* But he hoped ere long to go thorow whether the *English* would or no, *&c.* as by Remonstrance appears; and said moreover, that the *English East-India* Company like theirs, would have all the World, but not afford them the means to get it, *&c.*

II.

That long before the *Amboyna* Massacre, they had debarred the *English* from having any Commerce with *China*, *Japan*, or *Phillipeen* Islands the *Spaniards*. And ever after that Massacre, not to sail beyond the *Celeeb* Islands, or *Macasser* upon confiscation of ships and goods, and incurring their further displeasure; wherefore some *English* knowing this, and that the *Dutch* were in good earnest for their own advantage, for it was 4. or 500000*l. per an.* profit to them, and 2. or 300000*l. per annum* loss to the *English* ever since, by loosing his Majesties Right (and Merchants Trade) therefore refused to go that Voyage with Capt. *John Carter* Commander of the *Katherine*, for this very Cause and Danger, else very willingly would have accepted of the Motion.

Their debaring and obstructing all Nations, for trading into those seas upon Confiscation.

III.

That Rebellious and wicked agreement made in *India*, (and afterwards Printed by Authority in *England*, and Affidavit upon Oath likewise made before a Master in Chancery) between the *Dutch* and *English*, utterly to destroy that exceeding hopefull Imployment of Sr. *William Courteen* Kt. *William Courteen* Esquire his Son, and the rest Adventurers into *East India*, by Seizing,

Their agreement, and resolve in *India* to destroy, as by Affidavit *&c. ut supra.*

Sinking, Burning, or otherwiſe; wherein the *Dutch* diligence was very remarkable in all the ſaid Eſquires Ships that went for *China*, for certainly the *Dragon* and *Katherine* ſuffered as aforeſaid, and the Ship *Bon-Eſperanza* alſo, and the *Sun* and Great *William* very narrowly eſcaped; neither was the ſaid *Engliſh* at home or abroad, altogether idle as in time convenient may further be declared.

All ſhips going that way queſtioned, ſunk, or taken.

IV.

Capt. *Richard Swanley* to *Io. Davell, Auguſt* 1647. upon Exchange *London.*

The Relation of Captain *Richard Swanley* concerning that laſt paſſage of Seizure of *Portugals* and their Goods in the Streights of *Mallacca*, whereby the ſaid *Dutch* were ſo enraged and exaſperated, that they hunted violently to deſtroy the ſaid *Dragon* and *Katherine* as the ſaid Captain feared, as by the aforeſaid Relation more largely appeareth.

V.

Capt. *William Swanley*'s Relation to the ſaid *John Darrill*, upon Exchange *London.*

The Relation of Captain *William Swanley*, who being in *Holland*, *Anno* 1638. when the *Dutch Eaſt India* Fleet arrived; and the ſaid *Dragon* and *Katherine* was then expected: As the ſaid Captain was drinking with a Friend, there ſeveral *Dutch* men doing the like, and onely a ſlight thin Deal board between them, ſome other *Dutch* men enquired; What news of Captain *Weddall?* They anſwered that he was ſunk and Drowned. The ſaid Captain hearing this, preſently deſired to be ſatisfied more fully; therefore he went to thoſe *Dutch* men newly come from *India* and enquired of them, but they were very ſhie and would not diſcover it any further; onely they told him they heard it was ſo, and that it is all one, for none but their own Countrey men could tell them ſo, and it will admitt of no other conſtruction, but that it was ſo indeed; which amounts to a plain diſcovery by their own open and free Confeſſion

ſion for the one or the other, muſt actually be preſent actors in the ſaid Deſtruction.

VI.

The Relation of *John Stratford* a Cord-wainer in *Southwark*, (and Kinſman to Mr. *Daubeney* Chyrurgeon of the aforeſaid Ship *Katherine*) and for whom the ſaid *Stratford* had cauſed to be made, an Imbroidred Girdle with Silver Buckles; which Girdle the ſaid Chyrurgion, promiſed never to part with for love or money. And this ſaid Chyrurgeon was well and in good health, when the *Dragon* and *Katherine* aforeſaid ſet ſail for *England* (as the men in the Ship *Mary* coming then from *India* aforeſaid report.) But afterwards the ſaid *John Stratford* ſaw two *Dutch* men in *Southwark*, going from one Gold-ſmiths ſhop to another upon their occaſions, and eſpied one of the ſaid *Dutch* men to have or wear the very ſame Girdle, and enquired of the ſaid *Dutch* man, how he came by the ſaid Girdle, and where he had it? for ſaid *Stratford*, I know it very well; The ſaid *Dutch* man ſomewhat abaſhed at the queſtion, at laſt told him he had it in *India*; I thought ſo replied the ſaid *Stratford*, you are one of the Rogues that ſunk the *Dragon* and *Katherine*. And the ſaid *Stratford* intended to have had him before a Juſtice, but his VVife and other Friends diſwaded him; then came he to the Secretary of the *Eaſt India* Company *Richard Swingleburſt* (not knowing Eſquire *Courteen*) who laughed at the news (as the ſaid *Stratford* related;) and ſo that diſcovery reſted for further proſecution.

The Relation of *John Stratford*, to the ſaid *John Darell* and others.

VII.

The Relation of Senior *Lues Ribero*, an Eminent *Portugal* Merchant at *Goa*, who ſaid that a Gentleman and friend of his (which lay then ſick in one of their Caſtles) who told Agen *Farren*, if he would ſend to him, he

Senior *Lues Ribero* at *Goa* in *India*, to *John Farren*, *John Darell* and others.

he could make a perfect discovery of the said Ships: and likewise one *Thomas* a *Mustezoe* who served the *Portugal* Governour of *Coucheen*, who was also in that action; besides the common relations of *Moores*, *Gentues* and *Mallabars*; but what the said Agent *Furren* did therein is to be unknown, for I was then upon occasion sent to *Rabagge*, and afterwards for *England*.

VIII.

Tho. Hinton's Relation at *Island Joanna* and *Goa* to *Jo. Darell*, 1644.

The Relation of *Thomas Hinton* Chyrurgion of the ship *Bona-Esparanza* and others therein, who said that when the *Dutch* entered and had possession of their said ship; some of the *Dutch* sailors said to the said *Hinton* and others; They did well to yield as they did, else they had gone after the *Dragon* and *Katherine*; and moreover a *Scotch* man when they were in *Malacca* being there very sick, and was in that action desired earnestly to speak with some *English* man, who told them (as they said) that his Conscience was much troubled, because he was in that sad action and destruction of the said *Dragon* and *Katherine*.

IX.

Mr. *Newman's* Relation to *John Darell*.

Memerandum, 12. *December*, 1664. Master *Newman* said in the Custome-house *London*, that one came to *Mr. Gurley* and himself (being *Dutch* Prisoners at *Malacca*) and desired that some *English* men would go to speak with a sick man there; for the said sick, earnestly desired it: so Mr. *Gurley* and Mr. *Newman* sent *Thomas Lamberton* and some others, who returned this Message from the said sick man, that his Conscience troubling him, and that he sent for them to tell them that he was at the sinking of the *Dragon* and *Katherine* by the *Dutch*; and that the said *Dutch* bound all the *English* back to back and threw them over-board, according to the Relation of Mr. *Hinton* Chyrurgion, *Richard White* and others, *&c.*

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The Relation of *Richard White* an *Engliſh* man at *Goa* ſerving the *Portugals*; who ſaid, that he met with eight *Dutch* men upon the Coaſt of *India*, and ſeven of them confeſſed to him they were in the *Dutch* Fleet that deſtroyed the *Dragon* and *Katharine*, and that there were Nine Ships in Number, Six Greater, Three leſſer, whereof the Ship *Amſterdam* about 1400. Tuns Burthen was Admiral, and pretended themſelves a homeward bound Fleet for *Holland*. And Captain *Weddal* and Captain *Carter* with ſome of their chief Officers, being invited aboard the ſaid Admiral after a pretended friendly Entertainment; the ſaid *Dutch*, Seized Pillaged, and Sunk the ſaid ſhips *Dragon* and *Katherine*, and bound the men back to back, and threw the men all over-board, and this was done at ſea about Forty Leagues from the *Iſland Zeloan* as the ſaid *Dutch* men related.

Richard White's Relation at *Goa* 21. *June* 1644 to *John Farrin*, *John Darell*, &c. Factors.

XI.

It is the opinion of ſome, that the *Engliſh* Preſidents of *Suratt*, Mr. *Methwould*, Mr. *Fremblin*, and Mr. *Brittain*, and other their Factors there; could all, or moſt of them have made a clear diſcovery thereof (as well as one of them, Mr. *John Stamford*) but being conceived to be combinators with the ſaid *Dutch* in this general deſtruction, and ſeeming well pleaſed therewith; therefore an uncharitable ſilence did poſſeſs them, whoſe caſe even now might be their own (if God and the Kings Majeſty prevent it not) but the National adventurers are ſure to ſuffer moſt; and ſeeing that formerly through their great Ignorance and Supine, and Inconſiderate Government, and Management of that weighty Affair of ſuch High Concernment and Conſequence; ſo it is, that they (of Merchants) have been doubtleſs the

Some are very confident thereof upon good reaſon.

English East India Company, the greatest friends and enemies.

the greateſt Friends and Promoters of the ſaid *Dutch* deſigns, and conſequently the greateſt enemies to the Land of their Nativity, as his late Majeſty of ever bleſſed Memory, ſeemed excellently to apprehend in the Preface of his Majeſties Pattent under the Great Seal of *England*, made to *Sr. William Courteen* and the reſt adventurers therein.

But I preſume that the leaſt of theſe *Indicia's* and Proofs, (being all of them Voluntary and Free) are of greater Force and Efficacie, in the Judgment of any underſtanding and upright Reader.

The leaſt Indicia or Proof, greater then all at *Amboyna*.

Then the greateſt or all thoſe empty and pretended cruel, and extorted *Indiciaes*, and proofs produced and alledged by the *Dutch* in their proceedings againſt His Majeſties Subjects, whether the innocent *Engliſh* or *Natives* at *Amboyna* or elſwhere.

Further Reaſons to ſatisfie the Reader, and refell Objections.

Reaſon, I.

☞ THat it was never known before this (that ever I heard of) that ever two ſhips together *Engliſh* or *Dutch*, going or coming to or from *India*, periſhed by ſtreſs of Winds or Weather.

Reaſon, II.

Further Reaſons. That there was eight Ships or Pinnaces more loſt at Sea belonging to that *Expedition*, yet not a word or relation of any one of them to fail by ſuch Deſtruction.

Reaſon, III.

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That it was more Impoſſible or Improbable by Land, to conceal the burning of the *Engliſh* Houſes and Stores at *Battavia* in ſight of Ten Thouſand people, and not one of them ſince diſcovering the ſame (that ever I heard of,) then to conceal the ſinking of the *Dragon* and *Katarine*.

Rex & Regina Beati.

ALL theſe *Indiciaes* and Proofs ſeems Superfluous and needleſs; ſeeing the *Dutch* Combinations, Actions, and conſtant Obſtructions, their Combinations, Hoſtile Seizures, and Bloody Depredations are fully evident, and good and ſufficient proofs of the Premiſes.

Dutch conſtant practiſes, conſidered all theſe proofs and reaſon ſeems ſuperfluous.

The Lading of the *Dragon* and *Katherine*, for the Adventurers onely eſtimated, } 180000l.

The loſs of Trade, Factories, Plantations, for the Adventurers onely eſtimated at, } 120000l.

The loſs of particular Perſons in two Ships, being men of quality and good Eſtates, } ——

For Murthers, Maſſacrees and Loſs and Deſtruction of Trade to Poſterity, being onely matters of State, are moſt humbly left to His Majeſty and others under Him, in Higheſt Power and Authority.

Some ſpecial Annotations further to explain the Premiſes, (viz.)

1. That this *Eaſt India* War and *Dutch* Deſign, began about ſixty years ago, and continues to and at this very day; witneſs the Town and Caſtle of *Cocheen* in *India*, lately taken by the *Dutch* from the *Portugals*: Alſo the *Dutch* new Waring againſt *Bantum*, to drive the *Engliſh* from thence and from their chief Pepper trade at *Jambe*, and ſo ſhut them clear out both of the *Streights* of *Sundye* and *Mallacca*.

2. That this *Dutch* War now rageth not ſo much as formerly for want of prey to feed upon; having long ſince deſtroyed both the power and profit of *Engliſh* and *Portugal*, to the exceeding enriching of their *Netherlands* or old *Holland* by the one, and of their *Upperlands* or new *Holland* by the other, to ſuch a high and tranſcendent degree of Pride, Riches, and Power, inſomuch that the lading of their Eleven Ships this year, 1664. from their foreſaid new *Holland*, home to old *Holland*; ſome of their own Nation reported to be worth 4000000*l*. or more 15. or 1600000. being formerly their uſual annual return.

3. That the *Dutch* now having made an abſolute Conqueſt of all the South-Eaſt Seas of *Aſia* and *Affrica* (half of the whole Univerſe from *Japan* and *China*, to *Cape Bon-Eſperanza* Thirty Thouſand miles Coaſting, and reduced the Subjects of at leaſt *Thirty Emperours, Kings, Princes*, and *Governours*, to the Dictates and Rules of their own Arbitrary Power and Protection, without any Diſpute or Contradiction; And all this in the *Prince* of *Aurange* his Name.

Prince of *Aurange*.

Now

Now they treen about the foreſaid *Cape*, and meeting there with their *Neatherlands*, *Weſt India* Company (with whom uniting and combining together) endeavour to carry on and propogate the ſaid old War and deſign into *Europe* and *America* (the other half of the whole Univerſe) with Confidence and Aſſurance of like ſucceſs. And Subtilly and Slily ſtriking at the root and main obſtacle, *viz.* The Command of the *Engliſh* Narrow Seas; having already (as themſelves and others conceive) the Command of all the Seas in the World beſides: And thereupon they frame a cauſleſs Conteſt and Demand concerning ſome injuries and damages (as they pretend) lately done upon the Coaſt of *Guinnie* and *Cabo Verde*, wherein they are proved to be the firſt and onely treſpaſſes: But by the bleſſing of the Almighty upon the Vigilence, Care, and Prudence of His now Majeſty, their ſecret deſign is at preſent put to a ſtand, they being peradventure in further Expectation of a large ſupply from their *Upperlands* of Forty or Fifty Tall Ships of ineſtimable value by *April* or *May* next; and in the mean time uſe ſome Delatory, Pretences, or Treaties. 4.

But ſeeing His Majeſty, with the happy concurrence of his Royal and moſt Valiant and Magnanimous Brother His Highneſs the Duke of *York*, and Lord High Admiral of all His Majeſties Forces by Sea) with the Unanimous Aſſiſtance of a Wonderful, Diſcreet, and Loyal High Court of Parliament Repreſenting the whole Nation; May apprehend great Hopes and Incouragement in this ſo Tranſcendent and Mighty Undertaking, againſt ſuch Powerful and Politique Univerſal Enemies (eſpecially of *England*;) and who may compare their Conqueſts by Sea, with the Great *Turk* by Land, and allow him Ten foot for One. I ſay to reduce this Peo- 5.

ple to Right Reaſon, is onely the work of the Almighty, and of the King of Great *Brittain*, his Inſtrumental and moſt Valiant Vicegerent; no other King or Prince under Heaven, being ſufficient in apprehenſion to Weild their Weapons, and to diſpute this moſt Noble and Juſt Cauſe with them at *Sea*; and to this end, A Voice ſeems to be heard from Heaven, in His Majeſties moſt Glorious and Triumphant Reſtauration, without one drop of Blood-ſhed: To Queſtion and Chaſtize theſe Rebellious, Ingrateful, and Cruel People for all their Actions and Miſdemenours in *India*, where blood hath touched blood continually.

6. And further *Paulus Grobnerus ex Miſnia*, in his *Sericum Mundi Filium*, ſent to His Majeſties moſt Famous Predeceſſor and Nurſing Mother, to theſe forgetful and ungrateful people, (Queen *Elizabeth* of ever bleſſed Memory) 1574. ſeems as it were to point with his Finger at theſe very times, and His Majeſties Perſon; ſaying as I take it, Page 273. *Et ſic a* Carolo Carolus *Magnus, ſit Regnans qui Magno Succeſſum, & fortuna Septentrionalibus populis ſuis dominabitur & feliciter Claſſe ſua*, &c.

7. And laſtly, Conſidering that by the continual contempts of the ſaid *Dutch-Uplands*, of all former Debates and Treaties, yea, and of Kings to, (as appears by Skipper *Tyſon* their *Hollands* King of *Celoan*) I conceive are Nul and Void; and by the *Dutch Netherlands* onely uſed, as Nets and Snares hitherto to gain Advantage of all Kings and Nations, to accompliſh their aſo eſaid Deſign.

Therefore when Time ſeems convenient, Reaſon and Juſtice may require Reparation, and Satisfaction for all their former old Injuries and Damages, before new Debates or Treaties, can in equity well be admitted, *viz.*

Firſt,

Firſt Reſtitution and Repoſition of His Majeſties and Subjects Right to thoſe four or five *Amboyna Iſlands, In Statu Quo*, and the Damages thereof for forty two years by paſt; And his Majeſties Intereſt in the Fortifications of their other *Amboyna* Iſlands, built with a good part of the *Engliſh* National great Joynt ſtock of 1600000l. with free trade to *Japan, China, Philippeenes*, and elſwhere in the South Seas; for otherwiſe the *Dutch* will eat out all Nations in *India* with thoſe Commodities; which ſaid Damage and Loſs (beſides blood) cannot be eſtimated leſs *Viis & modis*, then 300000l. *per annum*, dreyned out of His Majeſties Kingdoms yearly for thoſe Commodities; as Mercers, Grocers, Druggſters, Potters, and other Tradeſ-men, can beſt diſcover with *Battavia* intereſt at 5. *per Cent*, *per* moneth, *&c.*

Alſo the *Dutch* ha'f Cuſtomes of their vaſt trade into *Perſia* for 40 years by paſt, they being ſtrangers and never in the Gulf, before that Agreement made between the *Perſian* and the *Engliſh*, which may be reaſonably eſtimated at 30. or 40000l. *per annum*, or more.

Then the old *Eaſt India* Company and other, for Damages done ſince *&c.*

Likewiſe, Sr. *William Courteen* and Adventurers with him for their four ſhips, *viz.* ſhip *Bon Eſperanza*, *Hen-Bonadventure*, *Dragon* and *Katherine*, and utter loſs and deſtruction of all their Trade, Factories, Plantations, and Fortifications in *India*; the Damages and Loſſes, whereof in knowing Judgments, cannot be eſtimated in all ſo little as 300000l.

And whoſoever makes any doubt or diſpute concerning the *Dutch*, their certain deſtruction of the *Dragon* and *Katherine* aforeſaid; me thinks the conſideration of their own deſigns, conſtant and bloody actions and practiſes, frequent threatnings, combinations,

and commissions, to sink or burn; to any rational man, may seem evidence sufficient to prove the fact, especially appearing so plainly to proceed from prepensed malice, and revenge.

But being seconded by a multitude of voluntary and free Indiciaes, Relations, Predictions to prove, and combinations to destroy, from very sufficient witnesses of *English*, *Portugals*, and *Dutch* themselves; besides *Mores*, *Gentues*, and *Mallabarrs*, all which may seem superfluous, *&c.*

Therefore, whosoever will not believe these truths, neither would they (without doubt) believe if one should rise from the dead and depth of the sea, to declare and justifie the same unto them.

All which, in every particular matter and thing therein, are most humbly referred to the farr more Wise, and Judicious, to do, and to determine, as in their more Excellent Wisdoms and Judgments, seems most meet and convenient.

Vivat Rex, Carolus *Magnus*.

The Authors Attestation.

THus having Freed and Discharged my Conscience and Duty towards God and Man, without Favour or Affection, in this Plain and Impartial Declaration of my long and serious observation and experience, of the various passages therein expressed; being altogether for Sum and Substance, what I have both heard and seen, and do

do verily believe the ſame to be really the truth, and nothing but the truth, faithfully collected and aſſerted, and will make good the ſame upon Oath, when thereunto lawfully called. And ſo I do moſt humbly committ the Care and Conſideration thereof, to thoſe whom it more Neerly or Publickly Concernes, to move and to do therein for Relief and Redreſs as Occaſion and Opportunity ſhall Preſent; and procure a Remedy and Reparation from the Tranſgreſſors, according to the Righteous Rules of Juſtice and Equity.

FINIS.